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IN CONNECTION WITH OUR PREPARATION FOR NEGOTIATIONS
BETWEEN THE FIVE WESTERN POWERS AND SOUTH AFRICA ON
NAMIBIA, WE WILL WANT TO CONSIDER WHAT DEVICES MIGHT
BE AVAILABLE TO BRING ABOUT POSTPONEMENT OF THE TURNHALLE
PROCESS. THE POINT OF POSTPONEMENT WOULD BE TO ALLOW
THE NEGOTIATIONS TO PROCEED WITHOUT BEING CONFRONTED
BY THE FAIT ACCOMPLI OF AN INTERIM GOVERNMENT. WE
WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR SUGGESTIONS ON POSTPONEMENT, AND
ESPECIALLY HOW THE SAG MIGHT BRING THAT ABOUT WITHOUT
INCURRING TOO STRONG A DOMESTIC REACTION. WE HAVE NO
OBJECTION IF YOU WORK UP A JOINT ANALYSIS AND A SERIES
OF OPTIONS WITH YOUR UK, FRENCH, GERMAN AND CANADIAN
COLLEAGUES, BUT WILL LEAVE THAT DECISION TO YOU.

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